

## **Region 2 Works Council**

December 11, 2014 10:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. Ivy Tech, South Bend 220 Dean Johnson Blvd, Rm 1121 South Bend, IN 46601

Present: Brad Bishop, Chairman, Dan Tyree, Superintendent-Plymouth Community Schools, Suzanne Wheeler, formerly Director – Statewide Implementation & Programming, Solutions in Education & Training, Shawn Hoffman, Harrison University, Ray Patnaude, retired from RACO, Hubbell Electronics, Larry Garatoni, South Bend Career Academy, Lisa Dercach, IDOE, and Jennifer O'Shea, CECI.

Also present: Kate Lee, St. Joseph Chamber of Commerce; Ben Hebbe, Conexus, Brian Wiebe, Horizon Education Alliance, Sarah Fine, South Bend Career Academy, Laura Marzotto, South Bend Community Schools, Kristen Watt, Merit Learning Center, Michele Tibbs, Merit Learning Center, Todd Hurst, CELL-Ulndy, Angela Prazza, Goshen Community Schools, and John Pinter, Pinter Consulting.

Brad Bishop called the meeting to order

Roll Call was conducted and a sign-in sheet circulated

Minutes from the November 13<sup>th</sup> meeting were approved.

Jennifer O'Shea described the Postsecondary Pathways Program that had been implemented in other regions and that would be available if Region 2 had an interest in pursuing.

Larry Garatoni noted the efforts undertaken as part of the state's Regional Cities Initiative and suggested that the Works Council's activities be aligned with that effort.

Larry Garatoni and Brad Bishop indicated that the Region would not be submitting an Action Plan pending further direction on the function of the Works Councils.

Sponsors of applications for the CTE Innovative Curriculum Grants from the region provided overviews of their proposals and received feedback from Council members. One proposal from outside the region, presented by the Center of Excellence in Leadership of Learning (CELL), was endorsed as being applicable to needs in the region.

Jennifer O'Shea updated the Council on recent changes to the CECI structure and indicated that CECI staff would be reassigned to other departments, including the Department of Workforce Development.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 12:30pm